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Referred to Committee on JUDICIARY

Introduced by:
(JUD)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PALLIATIVE USE OF MARIJUANA.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 21a-408 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

3 As used in [sections 21a-408] this section, sections 21a-408a to 21a-
4 408o, inclusive, as amended by this act, and sections 9 to 13, inclusive,
5 of this act, unless the context otherwise requires:

6 (1) "Cultivation" includes planting, propagating, cultivating,
7 growing and harvesting;

8 (2) "Debilitating medical condition" means (A) cancer, glaucoma,
9 positive status for human immunodeficiency virus or acquired
10 immune deficiency syndrome, Parkinson's disease, multiple sclerosis,
11 damage to the nervous tissue of the spinal cord with objective
12 neurological indication of intractable spasticity, epilepsy, cachexia,
13 wasting syndrome, Crohn's disease, posttraumatic stress disorder, or
14 (B) any medical condition, medical treatment or disease approved by

15 the Department of Consumer Protection pursuant to regulations
16 adopted under section 21a-408m;

17 (3) "Institutional animal care and use committee" means a
18 committee that oversees an organization's animal program, facilities
19 and procedures to ensure compliance with federal policies, guidelines
20 and principles related to the care and use of animals in research;

21 (4) "Institutional review board" means a specifically constituted
22 review body established or designated by an organization to protect
23 the rights and welfare of persons recruited to participate in biomedical,
24 behavioral or social science research;

25 (5) "Laboratory" means a laboratory located in this state that is
26 licensed to provide analysis of controlled substances pursuant to
27 section 21a-246;

28 (6) "Laboratory employee" means a person licensed as a laboratory
29 employee pursuant to section 9 of this act;

30 ~~[(3)]~~ (7) "Licensed dispensary" or "dispensary" means a person
31 licensed as a dispensary pursuant to section 21a-408h;

32 ~~[(4)]~~ (8) "Licensed producer" or "producer" means a person licensed
33 as a producer pursuant to section 21a-408i;

34 ~~[(5)]~~ (9) "Marijuana" means marijuana, as defined in section 21a-240;

35 (10) "Nurse" means a person who is licensed under chapter 378;

36 ~~[(6)]~~ (11) "Palliative use" means the acquisition, distribution,
37 transfer, possession, use or transportation of marijuana or
38 paraphernalia relating to marijuana, including the transfer of
39 marijuana and paraphernalia relating to marijuana from the patient's
40 primary caregiver to the qualifying patient, to alleviate a qualifying
41 patient's symptoms of a debilitating medical condition or the effects of
42 such symptoms, but does not include any such use of marijuana by

43 any person other than the qualifying patient;

44 [(7)] (12) "Paraphernalia" means drug paraphernalia, as defined in
45 section 21a-240;

46 [(8)] (13) "Physician" means a person who is licensed under chapter
47 370, but does not include a physician assistant, as defined in section 20-
48 12a;

49 [(9)] (14) "Primary caregiver" means a person, other than the
50 qualifying patient and the qualifying patient's physician, who is
51 eighteen years of age or older and has agreed to undertake
52 responsibility for managing the well-being of the qualifying patient
53 with respect to the palliative use of marijuana, provided (A) in the case
54 of a qualifying patient under eighteen years of age or otherwise
55 lacking legal capacity, such person shall be a parent, guardian or
56 person having legal custody of such qualifying patient, and (B) in the
57 case of a qualifying patient eighteen years of age or older lacking legal
58 capacity, the need for such person shall be evaluated by the qualifying
59 patient's physician and such need shall be documented in the written
60 certification;

61 [(10)] (15) "Qualifying patient" means a person who: [is eighteen
62 years of age or older, is] (A) Is a resident of Connecticut, [and] (B) has
63 been diagnosed by a physician as having a debilitating medical
64 condition, and (C) (i) is eighteen years of age or older, or (ii) has
65 written consent from a custodial parent, guardian or other person
66 having legal custody of the qualifying patient that indicates that the
67 qualifying patient has permission from such parent, guardian or other
68 person for the palliative use of marijuana and that such parent,
69 guardian or other person shall serve as a primary caregiver for the
70 qualifying patient and controls the acquisition and possession of
71 marijuana for palliative use and any related paraphernalia on behalf of
72 the qualifying patient. "Qualifying patient" does not include an inmate
73 confined in a correctional institution or facility under the supervision

74 of the Department of Correction;

75 (16) "Research program" means a study approved by the
76 Department of Consumer Protection in accordance with this chapter
77 and undertaken to increase information or knowledge with regard to
78 the growth, processing, medical attributes, dosage forms,
79 administration or use of marijuana to treat or alleviate symptoms of
80 any medical condition or the effects of such symptoms;

81 (17) "Research program employee" means a person licensed as a
82 research program employee pursuant to section 11 of this act;

83 (18) "Research program subject" means a person registered as a
84 research program subject pursuant to section 13 of this act;

85 [(11)] (19) "Usable marijuana" means the dried leaves and flowers of
86 the marijuana plant, and any mixtures or preparations of such leaves
87 and flowers, that are appropriate for the palliative use of marijuana,
88 but does not include the seeds, stalks and roots of the marijuana plant;
89 and

90 [(12)] (20) "Written certification" means a written certification issued
91 by a physician pursuant to section 21a-408c, as amended by this act.

92 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 21a-408a of the general statutes is
93 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
94 *October 1, 2015*):

95 (b) The provisions of subsection (a) of this section do not apply to:

96 (1) Any palliative use of marijuana that endangers the health or
97 well-being of a person other than the qualifying patient or the primary
98 caregiver; or

99 (2) The ingestion of marijuana (A) in a motor bus or a school bus or
100 in any other moving vehicle, (B) in the workplace, (C) on any school
101 grounds or any public or private school, dormitory, college or

102 university property, unless such college or university is participating
103 in a research program and such use is pursuant to the terms of the
104 research program, (D) in any public place, or (E) in the presence of a
105 person under the age of eighteen, unless such person is a qualifying
106 patient or research program subject. For the purposes of this
107 subdivision, (i) "presence" means within the direct line of sight of the
108 palliative use of marijuana or exposure to second-hand marijuana
109 smoke, or both; (ii) "public place" means any area that is used or held
110 out for use by the public whether owned or operated by public or
111 private interests; (iii) "vehicle" means a vehicle, as defined in section
112 14-1; (iv) "motor bus" means a motor bus, as defined in section 14-1;
113 and (v) "school bus" means a school bus, as defined in section 14-1.

114 Sec. 3. Section 21a-408c of the general statutes is repealed and the
115 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

116 (a) A physician may issue a written certification to a qualifying
117 patient that authorizes the palliative use of marijuana by the qualifying
118 patient. Such written certification shall be in the form prescribed by the
119 Department of Consumer Protection and shall include a statement
120 signed and dated by the qualifying patient's physician stating that, in
121 such physician's professional opinion, the qualifying patient has a
122 debilitating medical condition and the potential benefits of the
123 palliative use of marijuana would likely outweigh the health risks of
124 such use to the qualifying patient.

125 (b) Any written certification for the palliative use of marijuana
126 issued by a physician under subsection (a) of this section shall be valid
127 for a period not to exceed one year from the date such written
128 certification is signed and dated by the physician. Not later than ten
129 calendar days after the expiration of such period, or at any time before
130 the expiration of such period should the qualifying patient no longer
131 wish to possess marijuana for palliative use, the qualifying patient or
132 the primary caregiver shall destroy all usable marijuana possessed by
133 the qualifying patient and the primary caregiver for palliative use.

134 (c) A physician shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution,
135 penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to
136 any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not
137 limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action by the Connecticut
138 Medical Examining Board or other professional licensing board, for
139 providing a written certification for the palliative use of marijuana
140 under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 21a-408a if:

141 (1) The physician has diagnosed the qualifying patient as having a
142 debilitating medical condition;

143 (2) The physician has explained the potential risks and benefits of
144 the palliative use of marijuana to the qualifying patient and, if the
145 qualifying patient lacks legal capacity, to a parent, guardian or person
146 having legal custody of the qualifying patient;

147 (3) The written certification issued by the physician is based upon
148 the physician's professional opinion after having completed a
149 medically reasonable assessment of the qualifying patient's medical
150 history and current medical condition made in the course of a bona
151 fide physician-patient relationship; and

152 (4) The physician has no financial interest in a dispensary licensed
153 under section 21a-408h or a producer licensed under section 21a-408i.

154 (d) A nurse shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in
155 any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil
156 penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to,
157 being subject to any disciplinary action by the Board of Examiners for
158 Nursing or other professional licensing board, for administering
159 marijuana to a qualifying patient or research program subject in a
160 hospital or health care facility licensed by the Department of Public
161 Health.

162 Sec. 4. Section 21a-408d of the general statutes is repealed and the
163 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

164 (a) Each qualifying patient who is issued a written certification for
165 the palliative use of marijuana under subdivision (1) of subsection (a)
166 of section 21a-408a, and the primary caregiver of such qualifying
167 patient, shall register with the Department of Consumer Protection.
168 Such registration shall be effective from the date the Department of
169 Consumer Protection issues a certificate of registration until the
170 expiration of the written certification issued by the physician. The
171 qualifying patient and the primary caregiver shall provide sufficient
172 identifying information, as determined by the department, to establish
173 the personal identity of the qualifying patient and the primary
174 caregiver. If the qualifying patient is under eighteen years of age, the
175 custodial parent, guardian or other person having legal custody of the
176 qualifying patient shall also provide a letter from both the qualifying
177 patient's pediatrician and a physician who is board certified in an area
178 of medicine involved in the treatment of the debilitating condition for
179 which the qualifying patient was certified, confirming that the
180 palliative use of marijuana is in the qualifying patient's best interest.
181 The qualifying patient or the primary caregiver shall report any
182 change in [such] the identifying information to the department not
183 later than five business days after such change. The department shall
184 issue a registration certificate to the qualifying patient and to the
185 primary caregiver and may charge a reasonable fee, not to exceed
186 twenty-five dollars, for each registration certificate issued under this
187 subsection. Any registration fees collected by the department under
188 this subsection shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to the
189 account established pursuant to section 21a-408q, as amended by this
190 act.

191 (b) Information obtained under this section shall be confidential and
192 shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information
193 Act, as defined in section 1-200, except that reasonable access to
194 registry information obtained under this section and temporary
195 registration information obtained under section 21a-408n shall be
196 provided to: (1) State agencies, federal agencies and local law

197 enforcement agencies for the purpose of investigating or prosecuting a
198 violation of law; (2) physicians and pharmacists for the purpose of
199 providing patient care and drug therapy management and monitoring
200 controlled substances obtained by the qualifying patient; (3) public or
201 private entities for research or educational purposes, provided no
202 individually identifiable health information may be disclosed; (4) a
203 licensed dispensary for the purpose of complying with sections 21a-
204 408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, as amended by this act; (5) a qualifying
205 patient, but only with respect to information related to such qualifying
206 patient or such qualifying patient's primary caregiver; or (6) a primary
207 caregiver, but only with respect to information related to such primary
208 caregiver's qualifying patient.

209 Sec. 5. Section 21a-408j of the general statutes is repealed and the
210 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

211 (a) No licensed dispensary or employee of the dispensary may: (1)
212 Acquire marijuana from a person other than a licensed producer; (2)
213 distribute or dispense marijuana to a person who is not (A) a
214 qualifying patient registered under section 21a-408d, as amended by
215 this act, or 21a-408n; [or] (B) a primary caregiver of such qualifying
216 patient; (C) a hospice or other inpatient care facility licensed by the
217 Department of Public Health pursuant to chapter 368v that has a
218 protocol for the handling and distribution of marijuana that has been
219 approved by the Department of Consumer Protection; (D) a laboratory;
220 or (E) an organization engaged in a research program; or (3) obtain or
221 transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of state or federal
222 law.

223 (b) No licensed dispensary or employee of the dispensary acting
224 within the scope of his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or
225 prosecution, penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to,
226 being subject to any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege,
227 including, but not limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action
228 by a professional licensing board, for acquiring, possessing,

229 distributing or dispensing marijuana pursuant to sections 21a-408 to
230 21a-408n, as amended by this act, inclusive.

231 Sec. 6. Section 21a-408k of the general statutes is repealed and the
232 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

233 (a) No licensed producer or employee of the producer may: (1) Sell,
234 deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to a person who is not (A) a
235 licensed dispensary, (B) a laboratory, or (C) an organization engaged in
236 a research program, or (2) obtain or transport marijuana outside of this
237 state in violation of state or federal law.

238 (b) No licensed producer or employee of the producer acting within
239 the scope of his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or
240 prosecution, penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to,
241 being subject to any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege,
242 including, but not limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action
243 by a professional licensing board, for cultivating marijuana or selling,
244 delivering, transporting or distributing marijuana to licensed
245 dispensaries under sections 21a-408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, as amended
246 by this act.

247 Sec. 7. Subsection (a) of section 21a-408l of the general statutes is
248 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
249 *October 1, 2015*):

250 (a) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall establish a
251 Board of Physicians consisting of eight physicians or surgeons who are
252 knowledgeable about the palliative use of marijuana. [and certified by
253 the appropriate American board in one of the following specialties:
254 Neurology, pain medicine, pain management, medical oncology,
255 psychiatry, infectious disease, family medicine or gynecology.] Four of
256 the members of the board first appointed shall serve for a term of three
257 years and four of the members of the board first appointed shall serve
258 for a term of four years. Thereafter, members of the board shall serve
259 for a term of four years and shall be eligible for reappointment. Any

260 member of the board may serve until a successor is appointed. The
261 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall serve as an ex-officio
262 member of the board, and shall select a chairperson from among the
263 members of the board.

264 Sec. 8. Section 21a-408q of the general statutes is repealed and the
265 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2015*):

266 There is established a palliative marijuana administration account
267 which shall be a separate, nonlapsing account within the General
268 Fund. The account shall contain any fees collected pursuant to
269 subsection (a) of section 21a-408d, as amended by this act, any fees
270 collected pursuant to sections 21a-408h and 21a-408i, any fees collected
271 pursuant to subsection (b) of section 21a-408m, and any other moneys
272 required by law to be deposited in the account, and shall be held in
273 trust separate and apart from all other moneys, funds and accounts.
274 Any balance remaining in the account at the end of any fiscal year shall
275 be carried forward in the account for the fiscal year next succeeding.
276 Investment earnings credited to the account shall become part of the
277 account. Amounts in the account shall be expended only for the
278 purpose of providing funds to the Department of Consumer Protection
279 for administering the provisions of [sections 21a-408 to 21a-408o,
280 inclusive] this chapter.

281 Sec. 9. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) Except as provided in
282 subsection (b) of this section, no person may act as a laboratory
283 employee or represent that such person is a licensed laboratory
284 employee unless such person has obtained a license from the
285 Commissioner of Consumer Protection pursuant to this section.

286 (b) Prior to the effective date of regulations adopted under this
287 section, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue a
288 temporary certificate of registration to a laboratory employee. The
289 commissioner shall prescribe the standards, procedures and fees for
290 obtaining a temporary certificate of registration as a laboratory

291 employee.

292 (c) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt
293 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to (1)
294 provide for the licensure of laboratories and laboratory employees; (2)
295 establish standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension,
296 summary suspension and nonrenewal of laboratory and laboratory
297 employee licenses, provided such standards and procedures are
298 consistent with the provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-182 of the
299 general statutes; (3) establish a license and renewal fee for each
300 licensed laboratory and licensed laboratory employee, provided the
301 aggregate amount of such license and renewal fees shall not be less
302 than the amount necessary to cover the direct and indirect cost of
303 licensing and regulating laboratories and laboratory employees in
304 accordance with the provisions of chapter 420f of the general statutes;
305 and (4) establish other licensing, renewal and operational standards
306 deemed necessary by the commissioner.

307 (d) Any fees collected by the Department of Consumer Protection
308 under this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to
309 the account established pursuant to section 21a-408q of the general
310 statutes, as amended by this act.

311 Sec. 10. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) No laboratory employee
312 may: (1) Acquire marijuana from a person other than a licensed
313 producer, licensed dispensary or organization engaged in a research
314 program; (2) deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to: (A) A person
315 who is not a licensed dispensary; (B) a person who is not a licensed
316 producer; or (C) an organization not engaged in a research program; or
317 (3) obtain or transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of
318 state or federal law.

319 (b) No laboratory or laboratory employee acting within the scope of
320 his or her employment shall be subject to arrest or prosecution,
321 penalized in any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to

322 any civil penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not
323 limited to, being subject to any disciplinary action by a professional
324 licensing board, for acquiring, possessing, delivering, transporting or
325 distributing marijuana to a licensed dispensary, a licensed producer or
326 an organization engaged in an approved research program under the
327 provisions of chapter 420f of the general statutes.

328 Sec. 11. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) The Commissioner of
329 Consumer Protection may approve a research program if such research
330 program (1) is to be administered or overseen by (A) a hospital or
331 health care facility licensed by the Connecticut Department of Public
332 Health pursuant to chapter 368v of the general statutes, (B) an
333 institution of higher education, as defined in section 10a-55 of the
334 general statutes, (C) a licensed producer, or (D) a licensed dispensary,
335 and (2) will have institutional review board oversight and, if the
336 research program involves the use of animals, will have an
337 institutional animal care and use committee.

338 (b) Except as provided in subsection (c) of this section, no person
339 may act as a research program employee or represent that such person
340 is a licensed research program employee unless such person has
341 obtained a license from the Commissioner of Consumer Protection
342 pursuant to this section.

343 (c) Prior to the effective date of regulations adopted under this
344 section, the Commissioner of Consumer Protection may issue a
345 temporary certificate of registration to a research program employee.
346 The commissioner shall prescribe the standards, procedures and fees
347 for obtaining a temporary certificate of registration as a research
348 program employee.

349 (d) The Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall adopt
350 regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to (1)
351 provide for the approval of research programs and licensure of
352 research program employees, (2) establish standards and procedures

353 for the termination or suspension of a research program, (3) establish
354 standards and procedures for the revocation, suspension, summary
355 suspension and nonrenewal of a research program employee license,
356 provided such standards and procedures are consistent with the
357 provisions of subsection (c) of section 4-182 of the general statutes, (4)
358 establish a (A) fee for research program review and approval, and (B)
359 license and renewal fee for each research program employee, provided
360 the aggregate amount of such fees shall not be less than the amount
361 necessary to cover the direct and indirect cost of approving research
362 programs and licensing and regulating research program employees
363 pursuant to the provisions of chapter 420 of the general statutes, and
364 (5) establish other licensing, renewal and operational standards
365 deemed necessary by the commissioner.

366 (e) Any fees collected by the Department of Consumer Protection
367 under this section shall be paid to the State Treasurer and credited to
368 the account established pursuant to section 21a-408q of the general
369 statutes, as amended by this act.

370 Sec. 12. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) No research program or
371 research program employee may: (1) Acquire marijuana from a person
372 other than a licensed producer, licensed dispensary or laboratory; or
373 (2) deliver, transport or distribute marijuana to a person who is not:
374 (A) A licensed dispensary; (B) a licensed producer; or (C) a research
375 program subject; (3) distribute or administer marijuana to an animal
376 unless such animal is an animal research subject; or (4) obtain or
377 transport marijuana outside of this state in violation of state or federal
378 law.

379 (b) No research program employee acting within the scope of his or
380 her employment shall be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in
381 any manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil
382 penalty, or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to,
383 being subject to any disciplinary action by a professional licensing
384 board, for acquiring, possessing, delivering, transporting or

385 distributing marijuana to a licensed dispensary, a licensed producer or
386 a research program subject or distributing or administering marijuana
387 to an animal research subject under the provisions of chapter 420f of
388 the general statutes.

389 Sec. 13. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) (a) Any person seeking to
390 participate as a research program subject shall register with the
391 Department of Consumer Protection prior to participating in an
392 approved research program. The Commissioner of Consumer
393 Protection shall prescribe the standards and procedures for obtaining a
394 certificate of registration as a research program subject.

395 (b) A research program subject who has a valid registration
396 certificate from the Department of Consumer Protection and is acting
397 within the scope of his or her involvement in an approved research
398 program shall not be subject to arrest or prosecution, penalized in any
399 manner, including, but not limited to, being subject to any civil penalty
400 or denied any right or privilege, including, but not limited to, being
401 subject to any disciplinary action by a professional licensing board, for
402 the use of marijuana.

403 (c) The provisions of subsection (b) of this section do not apply to:

404 (1) Any use of marijuana that endangers the health or well-being of
405 a person other than the research program subject or a research
406 program employee; or

407 (2) The ingestion of marijuana (A) in a motor bus or a school bus or
408 in any other moving vehicle, (B) in the workplace, (C) on any school
409 grounds or any public or private school, dormitory, college or
410 university property unless such the college or university is
411 participating in a research program and such use is pursuant to the
412 terms of the research program, (D) in any public place, or (E) in the
413 presence of a person under eighteen years of age unless such person is
414 a qualifying patient or research program subject. For purposes of this
415 subdivision, (i) "presence" means within the direct line of sight of the

416 palliative use of marijuana or exposure to second-hand marijuana
 417 smoke, or both; (ii) "public place" means any area that is used or held
 418 out for use by the public whether owned or operated by public or
 419 private interests; (iii) "vehicle" means a vehicle, as defined in section
 420 14-1 of the general statutes; (iv) "motor bus" means a motor bus, as
 421 defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes; and (v) "school bus"
 422 means a school bus, as defined in section 14-1 of the general statutes.

423 (d) Information obtained under this section shall be confidential and
 424 shall not be subject to disclosure under the Freedom of Information
 425 Act, as defined in section 1-200 of the general statutes, except that
 426 reasonable access to registry information obtained under this section
 427 shall be provided to: (1) State agencies, federal agencies and local law
 428 enforcement agencies for the purpose of investigating or prosecuting a
 429 violation of law; (2) physicians and pharmacists for the purpose of
 430 providing patient care and drug therapy management and monitoring
 431 controlled substances obtained by the research program subject; (3)
 432 public or private entities for research or educational purposes,
 433 provided no individually identifiable health information may be
 434 disclosed; (4) a licensed dispensary for the purpose of complying with
 435 sections 21a-408 to 21a-408n, inclusive, of the general statutes, as
 436 amended by this act; or (5) a research program subject, but only with
 437 respect to information related to such research program subject.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408a(b)
Sec. 3	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408c
Sec. 4	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408d
Sec. 5	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408j
Sec. 6	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408k
Sec. 7	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408l(a)
Sec. 8	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	21a-408q
Sec. 9	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section

Sec. 10	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 11	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 12	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
Sec. 13	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To: (1) Provide for licensure of medical marijuana laboratories; (2) provide for the establishment and approval of medical marijuana research programs; (3) provide legal immunity to nurses who administer medical marijuana; (4) allow licensed producers and dispensary facilities to sell and transport medical marijuana to licensed laboratories and health care facilities; (5) expand the definition of "qualifying patient"; and (6) ease restrictions on the membership of the Board of Physicians.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]